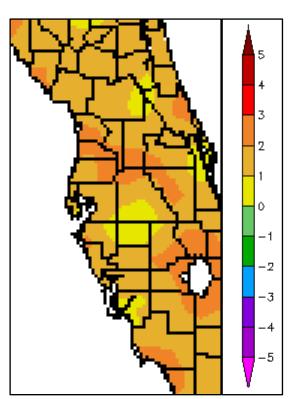


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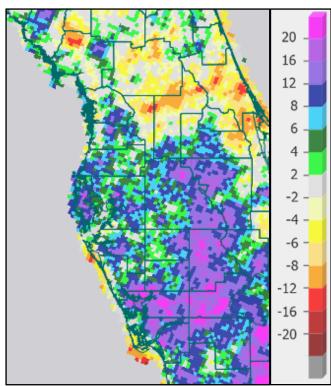
Another Top Ten Warmest Year across West Central and Southwest Florida



Approx Departure from Normal Temperature for 2016

2016 ended up being one of the Top Ten Warmest Years across most of West Central and Southwest Florida with temperatures averaging about 1 to 2.5 degrees above normal. Rainfall was highly variable as is typical across the Florida peninsula thanks to the fact that most of the rain during the year occurs in summer thunderstorms which by nature are small in scale. This led to some areas seeing rainfall amounts of 70 to 80 inches, or about 15 to 25 inches above normal, while other areas were relatively dry and saw about 40 inches of rain, or 10 to 15 inches below normal.

On the following pages are tables with daily, monthly, and yearly stats for some locations across the area.



Approx Departure from Normal Rainfall for 2016

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Date: 1/3/2017

* Brooksville Area: (Records began in January 1892)

Temperature							
Month 2016 Avg Normal DFN Ranking		Ranking					
Jan	57.0	56.7	+0.3	88th Warmest / 26th Coolest			
Feb	58.8	59.5	-0.7	82nd Warmest / 30th Coolest			
Mar	67.7	63.8	+3.9	Tied 35th Warmest / 76th Coolest			
Apr	70.4	67.7	+2.7	Tied 53rd Warmest / 51st Coolest			
May	74.7	74.7	+0.0	Tied 22nd Coolest			
Jun	81.2	80.0	+1.2	Tied 14th Warmest			
Jul	83.0	80.7	+2.3	7th Warmest			
Aug	82.1	81.0	+1.1	Tied 20th Warmest			
Sep	81.1	79.3	+1.8	Tied 12th Warmest			
Oct	74.0	72.8	+1.2	Tied 46th Warmest / 58th Coolest			
Nov	65.2	65.0	+0.2	Tied 64th Warmest/ 46th Coolest			
Dec	М	59.3					
Annual	М	70.1					

Warmest Year	74.3 in 1927		
Coolest Year	67.9 in 2010		

Temperature				
Extremes	2016*	Date	All-Time	Date
Highest Daily	97	08/23	104	06/06/1985
		07/27		06/06/1927
		06/25		06/05/1927
Lowest Daily	27	11/21	14	01/11/2010

Number of Days	2016*	Normal	DFN
Max >= 90	110	84	26
Max <= 60	8	11	-3
Min >= 70	122	82	40
Min <= 32	9	15	-6

Min <= 32	9	15	-6
* Does not include :	any data f	rom Decer	nher 2016

Rainfall						
Month 2016 Avg Normal DFN Ranking			Ranking			
Jan	4.44	3.22	+1.22	23rd Wettest		
Feb	2.50	3.37	-0.87	68th Wettest / 56th Driest		
Mar	3.70	3.70	+0.00	Tied 49th Wettest / 73rd Driest		
Apr	1.42	2.56	-1.14	84th Wettest / 38th Driest		
May	4.38	2.95	+1.43	37th Wettest / 87th Driest		
Jun	5.99	7.65	-1.66	Tied 87th Wettest / 37th Driest		
Jul	5.40	8.04	-2.64	17th Driest		
Aug	7.92	7.72	+0.20	60th Wettest / 64th Driest		
Sep	13.33	6.56	+6.77	9th Wettest		
Oct	0.82	2.73	-1.91	22nd Driest		
Nov	Trace	1.91	-1.91	Tied 2nd Driest		
Dec	М	2.39				
Annual	M	52.80		2016 Total w/o Dec =49.90		

Wettest Year	80.17 in 1959		
Driest Year	35.63 in 2010		

Rainfall				
Extreme	2016*	Date	All-Time	Date
Greatest Daily	4.56	09/02	10.24	06/24/2012

Number of Days	2016*	Normal	DFN
>= 0.01	111	109	2
>= 0.10	78	75	3
>= 0.50	36	35	1
>= 1.00	15	16	-1

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* Tampa Area: (Records began in April 1890)

Temperature						
Month 2016 Avg Normal DFN Ranking				Ranking		
Jan	60.2	60.8	-0.6	Tied 64th Warmest / 62nd Coolest		
Feb	62.1	63.4	-1.3	66th Warmest / 61st Coolest		
Mar	71.2	67.3	+3.9	13th Warmest		
Apr	74.6	72.0	+2.6	14th Warmest		
May	78.8	78.4	+0.4	Tied 23rd Warmest		
Jun	83.1	82.2	+0.9	Tied 8th Warmest		
Jul	84.9	83.0	+1.9	Tied Warmest		
Aug	83.8	83.2	+0.6	Tied 10th Warmest		
Sep	83.8	81.7	+2.1	Warmest		
Oct	78.1	76.2	+1.9	8th Warmest		
Nov	71.1	69.1	+2.0	14th Warmest		
Dec	70.1	63.1	+7.0	3rd Warmest		
Annual	75.2	73.4	+1.8	3rd Warmest		

Warmest Year	76.2 in 2015		
Coolest Year	69.8 in 1968		

Temperature				
Extremes	2016	Date	All-Time	Date
Highest Daily	96	07/17	99	06/05/1985
Lowest Daily	37	01/24	18	12/13/1962

Number of Days	2016	Normal	DFN
Max >= 90	108	73	35
Max <= 60	7	9	-2
Min >= 70	182	158	24
Min <= 32	0	1	-1

Rainfall						
Month	2016 Avg	Normal	DFN	Ranking		
Jan	6.18	2.23	+3.95	6th Wettest		
Feb	2.53	2.81	-0.28	59th Wettest / 68th Driest		
Mar	1.76	3.03	-1.27	78th Wettest / 49th Driest		
Apr	1.67	2.03	-0.36	58th Wettest / 70th Driest		
May	3.76	2.10	+1.66	37th Wettest / 91st Driest		
Jun	11.48	6.68	+4.80	14th Wettest		
Jul	6.34	7.07	-0.73	83rd Wettest / 45th Driest		
Aug	12.71	7.77	+4.94	13th Wettest		
Sep	4.14	6.30	-2.16	91st Wettest / 37th Driest		
Oct	1.55	2.26	-0.71	76th Wettest / 52nd Driest		
Nov	0.01	1.55	-1.54	Tied 2nd Driest		
Dec	0.43	2.47	-2.04	16th Driest		
Annual	52.56	46.30	+6.26	42nd Wettest / 86th Driest		

Wettest Year	76.57 in 1959	
Driest Year	28.89 in 1956	

Rainfall				
Extreme	2016	Date	All-Time	Date
Greatest Daily	4.04	08/31	11.45	05/08/1979

Number of Days	2016	Normal	DFN
>= 0.01	108	105	3
>= 0.10	69	67	2
>= 0.50	37	30	7
>= 1.00	18	14	4

* St Petersburg: (Records began in August 1914)

Temperature						
Month	2016 Avg Normal DFN Ranking		Ranking			
Jan	61.0	61.6	-0.6	Tied 65th Warmest / 36th Coolest		
Feb	62.7	64.1	-1.4	Tied 64th Warmest / 36th Coolest		
Mar	71.5	68.0	+3.5	Tied 16th Warmest		
Apr	75.0	72.9	+2.1	Tied 24th Warmest		
May	79.3	79.0	+0.3	Tied 31st Warmest / 69th Coolest		
Jun	82.6	82.7	-0.1	Tied 35th Warmest / 64th Coolest		
Jul	85.5	83.9	+1.6	3rd Warmest		
Aug	81.9	83.9	-2.0	Tied 10th Coolest		
Sep	83.2	82.3	+0.9	15th Warmest		
Oct	77.8	77.2	+0.6	Tied 32nd Warmest / 70th Coolest		
Nov	70.9	70.1	+0.8	Tied 33rd Warmest / 68th Coolest		
Dec	69.5	64.1	+5.4	Tied 5th Warmest		
Annual	75.1	74.2	+0.9	Tied 13th Warmest		

Warmest Year	76.4 in 2015	
Coolest Year	71.9 in 1940	

Temperature				
Extremes	2016	Date	All-Time	Date
Highest Daily	96	07/06	100	07/05/1995
Lowest Daily	43	01/24	22	12/13/1962

Number of Days	2016	Normal	DFN
Max >= 90	56	76	-20
Max <= 60	9	8	1
Min >= 70	197	171	26
Min <= 32	0	0	0

Rainfall						
Month	2016 Avg	Normal	DFN	Ranking		
Jan	7.13	2.57	+4.56	3rd Wettest		
Feb	1.80	2.72	-0.92	61st Wettest / 41st Driest		
Mar	2.30	3.75	-1.45	56th Wettest / 47th Driest		
Apr	1.10	2.27	-1.17	67th Wettest / 36th Driest		
May	4.20	2.21	+1.99	21st Wettest		
Jun	14.80	6.38	+8.42	4th Wettest		
Jul	4.74	7.34	-2.60	22nd Driest		
Aug	15.49	8.38	+7.11	9th Wettest		
Sep	6.76	7.76	-1.00	55th Wettest / 49th Driest		
Oct	0.96	2.78	-1.82	20th Driest		
Nov	0.03	1.90	-1.87	Tied 3rd Driest		
Dec	0.28	2.75	-2.47	5th Driest		
Annual	59.59	50.81	+8.78	23rd Wettest		

Wettest Year	87.62 in 1959	
Driest Year	30.51 in 1984	

Rainfall				
Extreme	2016	Date	All-Time	Date
Greatest Daily	5.01	08/31	15.45	08/02/1915

Number of Days	2016	Normal	DFN
>= 0.01	105	97	8
>= 0.10	74	69	5
>= 0.50	33	33	0
>= 1.00	17	15	2

* Lakeland Area: (Records began in January 1915)

Temperature					
Month	2016 Avg	Normal	DFN	Ranking	
Jan	60.5	60.7	-0.2	63rd Warmest / 39th Coolest	
Feb	62.3	63.3	-1.0	62nd Warmest / 38th Coolest	
Mar	72.0	66.8	+5.2	Tied 9th Warmest	
Apr	73.7	71.1	+2.6	Tied 21st Warmest	
May	78.0	77.1	+0.9	Tied 29th Warmest / 71st Coolest	
Jun	83.1	80.8	+2.3	8th Warmest	
Jul	85.1	82.0	+3.1	Warmest	
Aug	83.9	82.3	+1.6	Tied 6th Warmest	
Sep	82.9	80.2	+2.7	Tied 2nd Warmest	
Oct	76.5	74.9	+1.6	24th Warmest	
Nov	68.9	68.2	+0.7	36th Warmest / 66th Coolest	
Dec	70.2	62.9	+7.3	3rd Warmest	
Annual	74.8	72.6	+2.2	5th Warmest	

Warmest Year	75.6 in 2015 & 1990	
Coolest Year	70.6 in 1968	

Temperature				
Extremes	2016	Date	All-Time	Date
Highest Daily	97	08/21	105	06/05/1985
		07/09		
		07/08		
		07/06		
Lowest Daily	34	01/24	20	12/13/1962

Number of Days	2016	Normal	DFN
Max >= 90	133	78	55
Max <= 60	4	6	-2
Min >= 70	155	128	27
Min <= 32	0	2	-2

Rainfall					
Month	2016 Avg	Normal	DFN	Ranking	
Jan	6.77	2.64	+4.13	4th Wettest	
Feb	2.07	3.00	-0.93	55th Wettest / 48th Driest	
Mar	3.92	3.89	+0.03	41st Wettest / 62nd Driest	
Apr	2.04	2.67	-0.63	50th Wettest / 53rd Driest	
May	3.61	3.36	+0.25	49th Wettest / 54th Driest	
Jun	6.85	8.02	-1.17	53rd Wettest / 50th Driest	
Jul	6.55	7.49	-0.94	69th Wettest / 34th Driest	
Aug	11.37	8.50	+2.87	9th Wettest	
Sep	10.03	7.44	+2.59	14th Wettest	
Oct	4.08	2.88	+1.20	19th Wettest	
Nov	Trace	2.30	-2.30	Tied 2nd Driest	
Dec	1.03	2.60	-1.57	69th Wettest / 34th Driest	
Annual	58.32	54.79	+3.53	25th Wettest	

Wettest Year	70.24 in 1959	
Driest Year	34.93 in 1927	

Rainfall					
Extreme	2016	Date	All-Time	Date	
Greatest Daily	3.48	08/31	7.34	10/24/2005	

Number of Days	2016	Normal	DFN
>= 0.01	123	115	8
>= 0.10	89	78	11
>= 0.50	37	34	3
>= 1.00	15	18	-3

* Sarasota-Bradenton Area: (Records began in January 1911)

	Temperature						
Month	2016 Avg	Normal	DFN	Ranking			
Jan	60.3	61.4	-1.1	Tied 66th Warmest / 30th Coolest			
Feb	61.6	63.4	-1.8	Tied 64th Warmest / 34th Coolest			
Mar	70.9	66.6	+4.3	7th Warmest			
Apr	74.0	71.1	+2.9	8th Warmest			
May	78.3	76.4	+1.9	Tied 7th Warmest			
Jun	83.4	80.8	+2.6	3rd Warmest			
Jul	85.4	82.4	+3.0	Warmest			
Aug	84.7	82.2	+2.5	2nd Warmest			
Sep	83.9	81.4	+2.5	Warmest			
Oct	79.2	76.3	+2.9	Tied 3rd Warmest			
Nov	71.9	69.2	+2.7	10th Warmest			
Dec	69.3	63.5	+5.8	5th Warmest			
Annual	75.3	72.9	+2.4	Warmest			

Warmest Year	75.3 in 2016	
Coolest Year	70.4 in 1976	

Temperature				
Extremes	2016	Date	All-Time	Date
Highest Daily	99	08/23	101	08/01/1972
				07/23/1971
Lowest Daily	34	01/25	20	12/26/1983

Number of Days	2016	Normal	DFN
Max >= 90	124	58	66
Max <= 60	4	6	-2
Min >= 70	171	141	30
Min <= 32	0	1	-1

Rainfall					
Month	2016 Avg	Normal	DFN	Ranking	
Jan	4.41	2.49	+1.92	Tied 14th Wettest	
Feb	1.27	2.70	-1.43	71st Wettest / 36th Driest	
Mar	0.92	3.86	-2.94	Tied 20th Driest	
Apr	0.91	2.44	-1.53	78th Wettest / 29th Driest	
May	4.77	2.21	+2.56	21st Wettest	
Jun	6.73	7.51	-0.78	54th Wettest / 53rd Driest	
Jul	6.21	7.98	-1.77	72nd Wettest / 34th Driest	
Aug	14.50	9.14	+5.36	14th Wettest	
Sep	5.48	7.10	-1.62	68th Wettest / 39th Driest	
Oct	2.64	3.12	-0.48	52nd Wettest / 55th Driest	
Nov	0.02	1.93	-1.91	4th Driest	
Dec	1.25	2.53	-1.28	60th Wettest / 46th Driest	
Annual	49.11	53.01	-3.90	62nd Wettest / 42nd Driest	

Wettest Year	82.98 in 1957
Driest Year	29.45 in 1944

Rainfall				
Extreme	2016	Date	All-Time	Date
Greatest Daily	7.76	08/31	10.80	06/23/1945

Number of Days	2016	Normal	DFN
>= 0.01	99	108	-9
>= 0.10	68	73	-5
>= 0.50	31	35	-4
>= 1.00	11	17	-6

* Punta Gorda Area: (Records began in July 1914)

	Temperature					
Month	2016 Avg	Normal	DFN	Ranking		
Jan	62.4	63.2	-0.8	Tied 61st Warmest / 34th Coolest		
Feb	63.9	65.5	-1.6	60th Warmest / 37th Coolest		
Mar	72.8	68.9	+3.9	7th Warmest		
Apr	74.3	72.7	+1.6	Tied 22nd Warmest		
May	78.5	77.8	+0.7	29th Warmest / 67th Coolest		
Jun	83.3	81.8	+1.5	Tied 3rd Warmest		
Jul	85.1	82.9	+2.2	Warmest		
Aug	84.7	83.2	+1.5	Tied 3rd Warmest		
Sep	84.3	81.9	+2.4	Warmest		
Oct	78.8	76.9	+1.9	Tied 13th Warmest		
Nov	70.3	70.4	-0.1	39th Warmest / 63rd Coolest		
Dec	71.9	65.4	+6.5	3rd Warmest		
Annual	75.9	74.3	+1.6	4th Warmest		

Warmest Year	76.8 in 2015	
Coolest Year	71.5 in 1968	

Temperature				
Extremes	2016	Date	All-Time	Date
Highest Daily	99	07/13	103	07/28/1952
Lowest Daily	37	01/24	22	12/29/1920

Number of Days	2016	Normal	DFN
Max >= 90	148	117	31
Max <= 60	0	3	-3
Min >= 70	152	133	19
Min <= 32	0	2	-2

Rainfall					
Month	2016 Avg	Normal	DFN	Ranking	
Jan	8.83	1.80	+7.03	Wettest	
Feb	3.78	2.43	+1.35	Tied 14th Wettest	
Mar	2.08	3.28	-1.20	49th Wettest / 50th Driest	
Apr	1.03	2.03	-1.00	67th Wettest / 32nd Driest	
May	3.30	2.50	+0.80	44th Wettest / 56th Driest	
Jun	13.53	8.92	+4.61	11th Wettest	
Jul	8.36	8.22	+0.14	Tied 38th Wettest / 63rd Driest	
Aug	6.67	8.01	-1.34	66th Wettest / 34th Driest	
Sep	9.55	6.84	+2.71	28th Wettest / 76th Driest	
Oct	3.23	2.93	+0.30	39th Wettest / 61st Driest	
Nov	0.01	1.91	-1.90	3rd Driest	
Dec	0.38	1.78	-1.40	Tied 15th Driest	
Annual	60.75	50.65	+10.10	12th Wettest	

Wettest Year	88.10 in 1947	
Driest Year	30.03 in 2007	

Rainfall				
Extreme	2016	Date	All-Time	Date
Greatest Daily	2.95	06/05	10.65	06/23/1995

Number of Days	2016	Normal	DFN
>= 0.01	106	99	7
>= 0.10	79	72	7
>= 0.50	39	34	5
>= 1.00	24	16	8

* Fort Myers Area: (Records began in January 1902)

Temperature						
Month	Month 2016 Avg Normal DFN Ranking		Ranking			
Jan	62.9	64.2	-1.3	78th Warmest / 38th Coolest		
Feb	64.1	66.6	-2.5	Tied 73rd Warmest / 40th Coolest		
Mar	72.3	69.9	+2.4	Tied 11th Warmest		
Apr	74.9	73.8	+1.1	Tied 27th Warmest / 86th Coolest		
May	78.9	79.0	-0.1	Tied 32nd Warmest / 81st Coolest		
Jun	82.9	82.5	+0.4	Tied 13th Warmest		
Jul	84.5	83.2	+1.3 Tied 5th Warmest			
Aug	83.9	83.4	+0.5	Tied 17th Warmest		
Sep	83.0	82.4	+0.6	Tied 14th Warmest		
Oct	78.3	77.9	+0.4	Tied 26th Warmest / 83rd Coolest		
Nov	71.1	71.7	-0.6	43rd Warmest / 73rd Coolest		
Dec	73.3	66.5	+6.8	2nd Warmest		
Annual	75.9	75.1	+0.8	Tied 9th Warmest		

Warmest Year	77.0 in 2015 & 1990
Coolest Year	71.2 in 1910

Temperature				
Extremes	2016	Date	All-Time	Date
Highest Daily	96	08/26	103	06/17/1981
		08/23		06/16/1981
		07/11		
		07/06		
Lowest Daily	41	01/24	26	12/13/1962

Number of Days	2016	Normal	DFN
Max >= 90	123	113	10
Max <= 60	0	3	-3
Min >= 70	170	156	14
Min <= 32	0	1	-1

Rainfall						
Month	Month 2016 Avg Normal DFN Ranking			Ranking		
Jan	12.98	1.94	+11.04	Wettest		
Feb	2.13	2.15	-0.02	47th Wettest / 64th Driest		
Mar	1.06	2.88	-1.82	Tied 66th Wettest / 49th Driest		
Apr	Apr 1.44 2.18 -0.74 Tied 59th Wettest / 56th Dries		Tied 59th Wettest / 56th Driest			
May	3.26	2.65	+0.61	59th Wettest / 57th Driest		
Jun	12.60	10.09	+2.51	24th Wettest		
Jul	9.00	9.04	-0.04	55th Wettest / 61st Driest		
Aug	11.01	10.14	+0.87	22nd Wettest		
Sep	7.41	8.31	-0.90	60th Wettest / 56th Driest		
Oct	2.73	2.88	-0.15	61st Wettest / 55th Driest		
Nov	Trace	1.96	-1.96	Tied Driest		
Dec	0.24	1.71	-1.47	14th Driest		
Annual	63.86	55.93	+7.93	20th Wettest		

Wettest Year	80.17 in 1947
Driest Year	32.83 in 1964

Rainfall				
Extreme	2016	Date	All-Time	Date
Greatest Daily	3.29	01/27	9.92	10/21/1924

Number of Days	2016	Normal	DFN
>= 0.01	130	111	19
>= 0.10	84	76	8
>= 0.50	49	36	13
>= 1.00	21	18	3